And being desirous to give every Ease, to the Trade, consistant with Carrying on the Service I have consulted with Sir Charles Hardy, & we both agree, that considering the Forwardness, in which the Transports now are, that the said Ships so loaded & clear'd at the Time of laying the Embargo, may, without prejudice to his Majesty's Service, be permitted to depart on Friday the 6th Day of March next.

And I am in Hopes of having Things soon in such Forwardness, as to be able to write to you, to take off all restraint from the Shiping on Account of that part of His Majesty's Service, that I am particularly appointed to manage. I am,

with great Regard

Sir Your most obedient humble Servant, Loudoun.

To The Honble Horatio Sharpe Esq^r

Original.

[Sir Charles Hardy to Sharpe.]

Fort George New York 30th April 1757.

Sir

As there was some Ships and Vessels in this Port that were actually Loaded and Cleared out when the General Embargo was laid on, and the Transports taken up for his Majestys Service being in great forwardness; I have with the Advice of his Majesty's Council given leave to such Ships and Vessels to depart on a certain day agreable to the Inclos'd minute of Council, to which I beg leave to referr you, and shall only observe, that no ships or Vessels that were not Cleared on the 2^d day of March last, will be permitted to Sail, But the Embargo will be continued till his Majestys Service will admit of taking it off, in all which I hope your Government will Concurr.

I am with great regard Sir Your most Obedient Humble Servant Cha^s Hardy

The Honble Governor Sharpe.

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[Loudoun to Sharpe.]

New York May 5th 1757

As I have received a Copy of a Letter from one of his Majesty's principal Secretary's of State to you, signifying his